

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-10, 15-30 and 42-47.

Please amend the remaining claims as follows:

11. (Amended) A method of redirecting data items between a host system and one or more mobile communication devices, comprising the steps of:

receiving data items directed to a common address associated with the host system;

configuring one or more redirection events at the host system, wherein the redirection events include external events, internal events or networked events, and wherein the internal event is a calendar alarm;

detecting that a redirection event has occurred at the host system and generating a redirection trigger;

in response to the redirection trigger, continuously redirecting the data items to a mobile communication device; and

receiving data items sent from the mobile communication device;

wherein data items generated at either the host system or the mobile communication device share the common address as an address from which data items originated.

12. (Amended) A method of redirecting data items between a host system and one or more mobile communication devices, comprising the steps of:

receiving data items directed to a common address associated with the host system;

configuring one or more redirection events at the host system, wherein the redirection events include external events, internal events or networked events, and wherein the internal event is a screen saver activation;

detecting that a redirection event has occurred at the host system and generating a redirection trigger;

in response to the redirection trigger, continuously redirecting the data items to a mobile communication device; and

receiving data items sent from the mobile communication device;  
wherein data items generated at either the host system or the mobile communication device share the common address as an address from which data items originated.

13. (Amended) A method of redirecting data items between a host system and one or more mobile communication devices, comprising the steps of:

receiving data items directed to a common address associated with the host system;

configuring one or more redirection events at the host system, wherein the redirection events include external events, internal events or networked events, and

wherein the internal event is a keyboard timeout signal;

detecting that a redirection event has occurred at the host system and generating a redirection trigger;

in response to the redirection trigger, continuously redirecting the data items to a mobile communication device; and

receiving data items sent from the mobile communication device;

wherein data items generated at either the host system or the mobile communication device share the common address as an address from which data items originated.

14. (Amended) A method of redirecting data items between a host system and one or more mobile communication devices, comprising the steps of:

receiving data items directed to a common address associated with the host system;

configuring one or more redirection events at the host system, wherein the redirection events include external events, internal events or networked events, and wherein the redirection events further include networked events that include messages to begin redirection from computer systems other than the mobile communication device, which are connected to the host system via a wired network;

detecting that a redirection event has occurred at the host system and generating a redirection trigger;

in response to the redirection trigger, continuously redirecting the data items to a

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mobile communication device; and

receiving data items sent from the mobile communication device;

wherein data items generated at either the host system or the mobile communication device share the common address as an address from which data items originated.

35. (Amended) The method of claim 32, wherein the host system is an Internet Service Provider.

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36. (Amended) The method of claim 32, wherein the host system is a server accessible via the Internet.

37. (Amended) The method of claim 36, wherein the server includes a secure web page for accessing the host system.

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Please add the following new claims 48-72:

48. (New) A method of redirecting data items between a messaging server and a plurality of mobile communication devices, comprising the steps of:

receiving data items directed to a plurality of e-mail addresses associated with user accounts maintained by the messaging server;

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for each of the plurality of mobile communication devices, receiving a trigger signal at the messaging server that enables data item redirection, wherein the trigger signals are transmitted to the messaging server from a plurality of desktop systems associated with the plurality of mobile communication devices;

for each of the plurality of mobile communication devices for which a trigger signal has been received at the messaging server, continuously redirecting data items from the messaging server to the mobile communication device by transmitting the data items from the messaging server to the mobile communication device using an electronic address associated with the mobile communication device; and

generating data items at the mobile communication devices and at the desktop systems, wherein the data items generated at the mobile communication devices or the desktop systems are addressed using the e-mail addresses associated with the user accounts as addresses from which the data items originated.

49. (New) The method of claim 48, further comprising the steps of:

configuring one or more redirection events at each of the desktop systems;

detecting that a redirection event has occurred at one of the desktop systems;

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transmitting the trigger signal from the desktop system where the redirection event was detected to the messaging server.

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50. (New) The method of claim 48, further comprising the step of:

providing a local area network for coupling the plurality of desktop systems to the messaging server.

51. (New) The method of claim 48, further comprising the step of:

providing a wide area network for coupling the plurality of desktop systems to the messaging server.

52. (New) The method of claim 48, further comprising the step of:

storing configuration information regarding the plurality of mobile communication devices at the messaging server.

53. (New) The method of claim 48, wherein the messaging server includes an e-mail server and a redirection program.

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54. (New) The method of claim 52, wherein the configuration information stored at the messaging server includes, for each mobile communication device:

- (A) the electronic address of the mobile communication device; and
- (B) an indication of the type of mobile communication device.

55. (New) The method of claim 54, wherein the configuration information stored at the messaging server further includes, for each mobile communication device:

(C) an indication of the types of attachments that the mobile communication device can receive and process.

56. (New) The method of claim 48, further comprising the step of:

prior to redirecting the data items from the messaging server to the mobile communication devices, packaging the data items into electronic envelopes addressed using the electronic addresses of the mobile communication devices.

57. (New) The method of claim 48, further comprising the step of:

prior to redirecting the data items from the messaging server to the mobile communication devices, compressing the data items in order to reduce the size of the data items.

58. (New) The method of claim 48, further comprising the step of:

prior to redirecting the data items from the messaging server to the mobile communication devices, encrypting the data items.

59. (New) The method of claim 48, further comprising the steps of:

for each data item to be redirected, the messaging server determining whether the data item includes an attachment, and if so, then determining the type of attachment;

determining whether the mobile communication device to which the data item having an attachment is to be redirected can process attachments of the determined type; and

if so, then redirecting the attachments to the mobile communication devices, and if not, then redirecting the attachments to a device that is capable of processing the attachments.

60. (New) The method of claim 49, wherein the redirection events include internal events, external events or networked events.

61. (New) The method of claim 60, wherein the internal events include a calendar alarm, a screen saver activation, or a keyboard timeout signal.

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62. (New) The method of claim 60, wherein the external events include a message from the mobile communication device to begin redirection.

63. (New) The method of claim 48, wherein the mobile communication devices are two-way pagers, hand-held wireless paging computers, cellular telephones having data messaging capabilities, or wirelessly-enabled laptop computer.

64. (New) The method of claim 48, wherein the mobile communication devices are capable of receiving both voice and data messages.

65. (New) The method of claim 48, further comprising the step of:  
providing a preferred list for each mobile communication device for limiting the redirection step to redirecting only those data items that are transmitted to the messaging server from a sender on the preferred list.

66. (New) The method of claim 65, wherein the preferred lists are stored at the messaging server.

67. (New) The method of claim 65, wherein the preferred lists are stored at the desktop systems.

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68. (New) The method of claim 65, further comprising the step of: activating or deactivating the preferred list by transmitting a preferred list activation command from a desktop system to the messaging server.

69. (New) The method of claim 65, further comprising the step of: activating or deactivating the preferred list by transmitting a preferred list activation command from a mobile communication device to the messaging server.

70. (New) The method of claim 48, wherein the messaging server is a Microsoft Exchange sever.

71. (New) The method of claim 48, further comprising the step of:  
providing a user profile database at the messaging server that associates particular desktop systems with particular mobile communication devices for a plurality of users.

72. (New) A method of redirecting e-mail messages between an e-mail messaging server and a plurality of wireless mobile devices, comprising the steps of:

receiving e-mail messages directed to a plurality of e-mail addresses associated with user accounts maintained by the e-mail messaging server;

for each of the plurality of wireless mobile devices, receiving a trigger signal at the messaging server that enables data item redirection, wherein the trigger signals are

transmitted to the messaging server from either a plurality of desktop systems associated with the wireless mobile devices or from the wireless mobile devices; in response to receiving the trigger signals, continuously redirecting the received e-mail messages from the messaging server to the wireless mobile devices using electronic addresses associated with the wireless mobile devices; and

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generating e-mail messages at the wireless mobile devices and at the desktop systems, wherein the e-mail messages generated at the wireless mobile devices or the desktop systems are addressed using the e-mail addresses associated with the user accounts as addresses from which the data items originated.